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FIRES RAZE THOUSANDS OF ACRES OF HANCOCK COUNTY TIMBERLAND

'Arson' Declares County Agent

An arsonist's torch early this week touched off a forest fire that today is still raging through Hancock County's forests as fire fighters battle to hold the holocaust under control. Area Forester Marion Parker told the EAGLE early this morning that there were no more attempts made during the night to ignite new fires, and said fires started Tuesday evening were "under control at this time."

Hancock County Agent Howard Simmons, who charged that "malicious arson" was responsible for the fires, said "devilish cunning" had been exercised by whoever set the fires.

Thousands of acres of timber land in Hancock County were consumed, destroying more than a half-million trees and retarding the pulpwood and timber industry in the county by a number of years.

A series of small fires first flared up behind Bay St. Louis and Waveland Monday night. Area Forester Parker and a crew of men worked until about 3 a.m. Tuesday to get the fires under control. At dusk Tuesday, another series of fires, apparently started deliberately, broke into flame simultaneously in the area of Cuevas Town Road above the Rocky Hill fire tower.

The fires reportedly were set at such close intervals that before rangers and county firefighters could extinguish one another had sprung up.

Fanned by extremely high winds, the flames raced through tinder-dry undergrowth until they met in a solid sheet of flame.

Combined efforts of fire fighting crews from five counties finally got the flames under control early today after units and men from Jackson, Harrison, Green and Pearl River counties joined local crews in their battle against the fire.

Throughout the Kiln area, volunteers worked feverishly digging ditches around homes and buildings, and plowing land to clear it of dry grass.

Three times during the night Tuesday and early yesterday the Wayne Ducomb residence and outbuildings were threatened. At 9 p.m., again at midnight, and at 3 a.m. the task looked hopeless, but toward dawn Wednesday the fire was diverted to the Jordan river at this point.

Later in the day yesterday, crews were a similar fight to save the buildings on the estate of Dr. Charles Banister.

Jack Lott, who had just completed the planting of more than 100,000 trees, suffered a total loss. Sam Whitfield who supplies pulpwood to International Paper Co., Leo Seal, Bay St. Louis and Gulfport banker, Weston Lumber Co. and E. S. Drake, Civil Engineer of Hancock County, were among the heaviest hit from a commercial standpoint.

More efforts were expended to keep the flames from enveloping the county poor house.

situated on the banks of Bayou Lacroix. Drilling site of Hancock County's second oil well also was in the path of the fire, but drilling operations had cleared the area of small timber and high grass, and the flames were diverted around the well.

County Agent Howard Simmons, who worked with the fire fighters all night Tuesday and all day yesterday, said that old time residents of that area called the fires the most vicious they had ever witnessed.

Simmons said one man working with a crew told him "it reminds me of some of the European cities I saw bombed during World War II."

"Devilish cunning was exercised by whoever set the fires," Simmons told the EAGLE. He said in his estimation, and others fighting the fire agreed, that automobiles were used by the firebugs.

"I believe that several cars, each carrying more than one person, were used, as the fires broke out so rapidly in such close succession."

"As fast as we could get a number of small blazes fairly well under control on one side of the road, a new series of fires would begin elsewhere on the opposite side of the same road," the county agent reported. "The area of the fires was so vast that only by use of an automobile could such a break out in such rapid succession."

"It was, in my opinion, the best organized premeditated arson I have ever encountered," said Simmons. "The fires were set so they were inside the fire ditches, enabling each protected area to burn independently."

Local foresters and volunteers were sent home Wednesday evening to recuperate after battling flames more than 24 hours without rest, and units from out of the county continued the battle.

Area Forester Parker said this morning that the District Forester would arrive today and an attempt would be made to estimate the loss resulting from the fire.

"There have been one or two barns burned so far," Parker said, but to our knowledge we have been able to save all homes."

"However," he added, "a thorough check will have to be made to ascertain this for a fact, since the burned area is so widespread that we were not able to get a complete record of all damage while fighting the fire."



Wave of Burglaries Still Plagues County

A plague of burglaries which the E. V. Langiche home, 158 Beach Blvd., and the Phillip Foote residence, 160 Beach Blvd., County continues this week. The burglaries were made off with two local business houses hit this week—one of them of Malcolm Mundy of New Orleans for the second time.

Newest victims of the crime wave were L. A. de Montluzin Son Drug Store on the beach and Ray's Drive In on US 90, which was entered for the second time.

Other recent burglaries occurred at the Eddie Thrasher residence, 154 Beach Blvd., Waveland;

In the previous entry at Ray's, the thieves made off with \$85 in cash from the same sources, stock, he estimated approximately \$1200 in sales tax money, and merchandise. They missed a Polio machine box on the counter.

Apparently using a crowbar to pry open a rear wooden door, burglars entered the drug house of L. A. deMontluzin Son on the beach some time between closing Saturday night and early Sunday morning.

Rene de Montluzin Jr., one of the owners of the establishment, said when he opened the business on Sunday morning he discovered the rear door had been pried open, allowing entrance to the building. Checking through his stock, he estimated approximately \$300 in merchandise had been stolen. Among the loot taken were cameras, dresser sets, candy, perfumes and other sundry items. No drugs or narcotics had been touched.

None of the stock was insured.

The drug house of L. A. de Montluzin is one of the oldest establishments of its kind in the state, and Mr. de Montluzin Sr. is the oldest living registered pharmacist in the entire state.

Carnival Slated Feb. 14

The Krewe of Chicapoula will announced the following chairmen again reign in Bay St. Louis on Mardi Gras Day, Feb. 14, for the ninth consecutive year. This annual event is sponsored by the Bay Central PTA.

Theme of the Parade this year is "State Flowers and Birds" and any school, business or individual interested in entering a float may do so by calling Mrs. Paul Miller, 142-W, not later than Feb. 10.

There will be no cash awards given for floats but each float will be judged by the merit system and will be given ratings of superior, excellent, good or fair, whichever the case may be.

Bert Estapa, general chairman of the Mardi Gras Committee, has

PROMOTED TO MAJOR



Mrs. Frank Quintini Sr. received word this week of the promotion from Captain to Major of their daughter, Audrey. Major Quintini, US Army Medical Corps, is with the Aero Medical Corps, Group and chief nurse of the hospital in Fukuoka, Japan. She is a graduate of St. Joseph Academy and of Charity Hospital School of Nursing in New Orleans.

Dimes Drive Is Launched By Legion Aux

The American Legion Auxiliary lead off the March of Dimes Drive by selling Blue Crutches on opening day of the drive last Saturday.

Women of the Auxiliary were assisted by Junior Members of the Auxiliary and Boy Scout Troop 17.

Mrs. Leroy Luke, chairman of the Auxiliary drive, was assisted by Mrs. Albert Biehl Sr., Mrs. James Pfeiffer, Mrs. Harold Kranke, Mrs. Rene Bermond Sr., Mrs. Teddo Thomas and Mrs. Gordon Romanoff.

Junior members were Jeannie Ruthford, Louise Bufkin, Geraldine Kidd, Dotie Estapa, Cynthia Kranke, Janet Trapani and Melva Lee Luke.

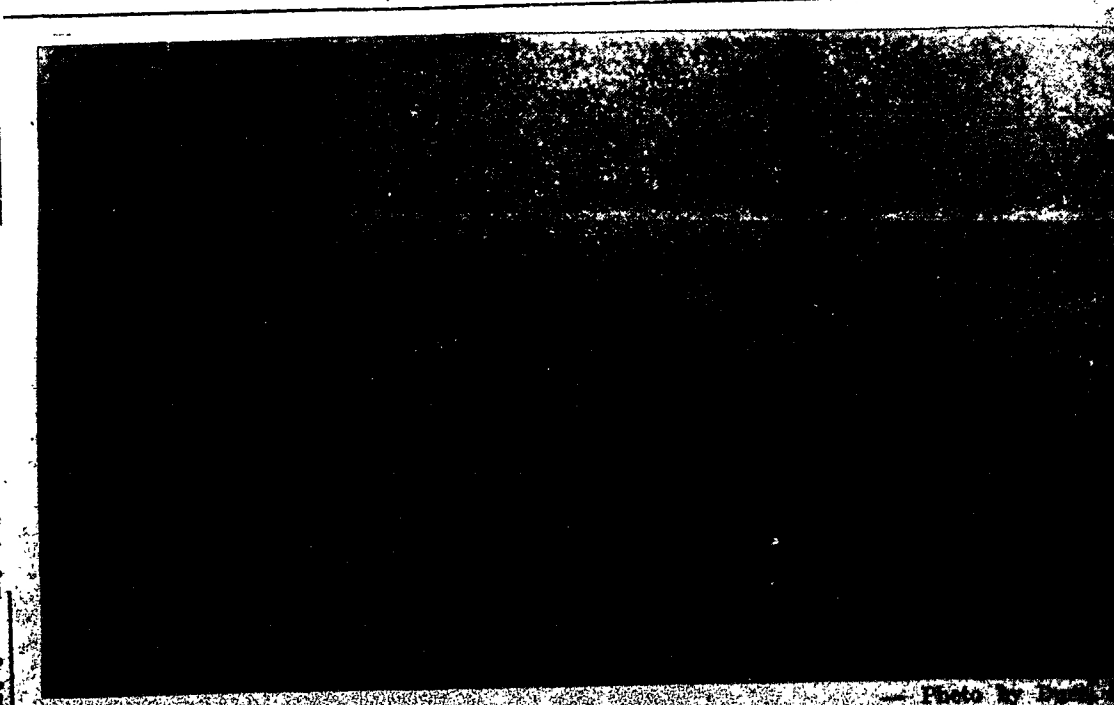
Boy Scouts were Curtis Thomas, Frank Necaise, Micky Demoran, T. Chapman, Joe Trianna, Richard Morreale, Bernie Benigno, Leroy Luke Jr. and Steve Kranke. A total of \$167.22 was turned in to Mrs. Theodore Rudolph, County March of Dimes Chairman.

WINS \$125 ITEM PUZZLE

Miss Rosemary Blaize, a member of the staff of the Hancock County Eagle, brought home the bacon this week when she learned that she was the winner of the Prize Word Puzzle contest conducted by the New Orleans Item.

An arden puzzle fan, Miss Blaize has worked diligently on puzzles in various papers for quite some time, with the optimism of all puzzle fans that one day she would have a winner.

Wednesday morning a long distance call from the puzzle editor of the Item proved that Miss Blaize had built her hopes on solid rock, and that her efforts had finally paid off with a nice juicy check for \$125.



Members of the American Legion, Clement E. Romanoff, Paul 125, established a record. They afternoon at the west end of the Bay bridge to collect for the March of Dimes. They collected \$125. Participating in the program were John Ruthford Jr., Sidney Romanoff, John, Kelly, Brown, Warren, Benito, Gerald Price, Leroy Luke and F. Christy.

Post Office Department

The US Post Office Department is making money at the rate of a few dollars every working day. St. Louis postmaster Frank Herlihy told the Bay Rotary Club Tuesday.

Postmaster Herlihy, who was speaking at the Rotary's regular meeting, declared that the office department is now being operated "on a pre-war price level and a post-war cost level."

A deficit of nearly one-half million dollars in the fiscal year 1955, the department, he said, despite recent economies and efficiency which have reduced the postal deficit approximately 40 per cent in the last two years.

Two hundred million dollars this huge loss is the new year cost of the recently enacted increase and other employee benefits.

The Post Office Department is going about as far as it can reducing cost without impairing service," the postmaster said.

In a 151 year period—from 1789 to 1940—the postal deficit averaged less than \$10 million per year. In the war years 1941 to 1945 the Post Office Department operated at an accumulated surplus of \$165 million due, in large part, to the stability of costs during a period of increasing volume.

A national factor was the assumption of a large portion of the cost of transporting overseas mail they were in 1932 and some Second class rates are the same as they were back in 1885."

He pointed out that letter mail rates today are the same as they were in 1932, nearly 25 years ago.

However, in 1932 it cost 1.89 cents to handle the average First Class letter. By 1954, this cost had risen to 3.12 cents for a letter carrying a 3-cent stamp.

Had all of the increases in wages and other costs recently enacted by Congress been in effect through fiscal 1954, the cost of carrying a letter would have been 3.39 cents.

"There is only one way to substantially reduce the postal deficit. This is by increasing rates of postage. If postage rates are not increased, the Department will continue to operate at a heavy loss."

The Department has asked Congress to increase letter rates by one cent on each letter regardless of weight.

It also has recommended that rates for Second Class (magazines) and Third Class (advertising matter and parcels) be increased in proportion to the same proportions.

"The nickel telephone call, the five-cent cigar, the five-cent street car fare, and the ten cent loaf of bread are gone forever. And yet all (largely advertising matter) the postage on letters is still 3c, and the rates on second class mail have been increased only 38 per cent, a quarter of a century ago," Herlihy declared.

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CARNIVAL BALL INTEREST MOUNTING DAILY

Interest is beginning to mount in the beauty of back-lying in speculations of who has ground for this event shall extend to the Carnival Ball, the and since each year the balls have become more elaborate, anticipation to see this one is growing.

Mark Solomon, chairman of the court committee, whose task it is to gather together a court of chivalry and beauty, announced that he was well pleased with the results of his labors, and felt the attending public would happily respond with bursts of applause as each attractive couple between the convent gym and the was ushered onto the ballroom floor.

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St. Louis Statue Comes to Bay St. Louis

The memory of Louis IX, King of France, crusader and saint, is preserved by the Mississippi city and bay that bear his name.

A few miles distant from Bay St. Louis, another silent and impressive reminder of the saintly king is found in Holly Bluff Gardens.

It was the gallant explorer, Sieur Pierre Le Moyne d'Iberville, or Iberville, who came upon an inland bay as he journeyed along the curving line of the Gulf Coast.

The year was 1699 and the day was the birthday of Saint Louis. In prayerful gratitude, he named these waters the Bay of St. Louis and many years later the site of the nearby village of the Chicapoula Indians became Sheldoboro. In 1875 the name Bay St. Louis was adopted by this city.

As Iberville had come from France to a new world, so came the marble statue of St. Louis from the province of Rigny France to rest in the sanctuary of a Mississippi garden. Here stands the royal saint, the good king, the father of Paris, portrayed by a sculptor as he looks toward the heavens as if seeking guidance before he embarks on his last crusade.

In the city of Tunis, in the year 1270, at the age of 57, King Louis died of the plague, and twenty years afterward he was raised to the Calendar of Saints.

Originally, the statue stood at the grave of Jean Baptiste Louis Morel, an ancestor of one of the owners of Holly Bluff Gardens, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Crump.

Because of the link between the city that bears his name and the family connection, the statue, with pedestal and grave, was brought from the ancient burial grounds to remain on the banks of the Jordan River.

HEART DISEASE NOT TO BLAME FOR HEART ILLS SAYS LEADING SPECIALIST

ANALYSIS of heart disease is hardly new, but Dr. Irvine Page, Cleveland, president of the American Heart Association, says that the public has been misled by the idea that heart disease is a single entity. He says that heart disease is a collection of many different conditions, and that the public should not be misled by the idea that heart disease is a single entity.

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CONGRESSIONAL SIDELIGHTS

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LETTERS of Administration on the Estate of Mrs. Lillian Ames Zerr, deceased, were granted the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1956, and therefore notice is hereby given requiring all persons having claims against said estate to have same probated and registered by the Clerk of said Court within six months from this date, and failure to do so will bar the claim.

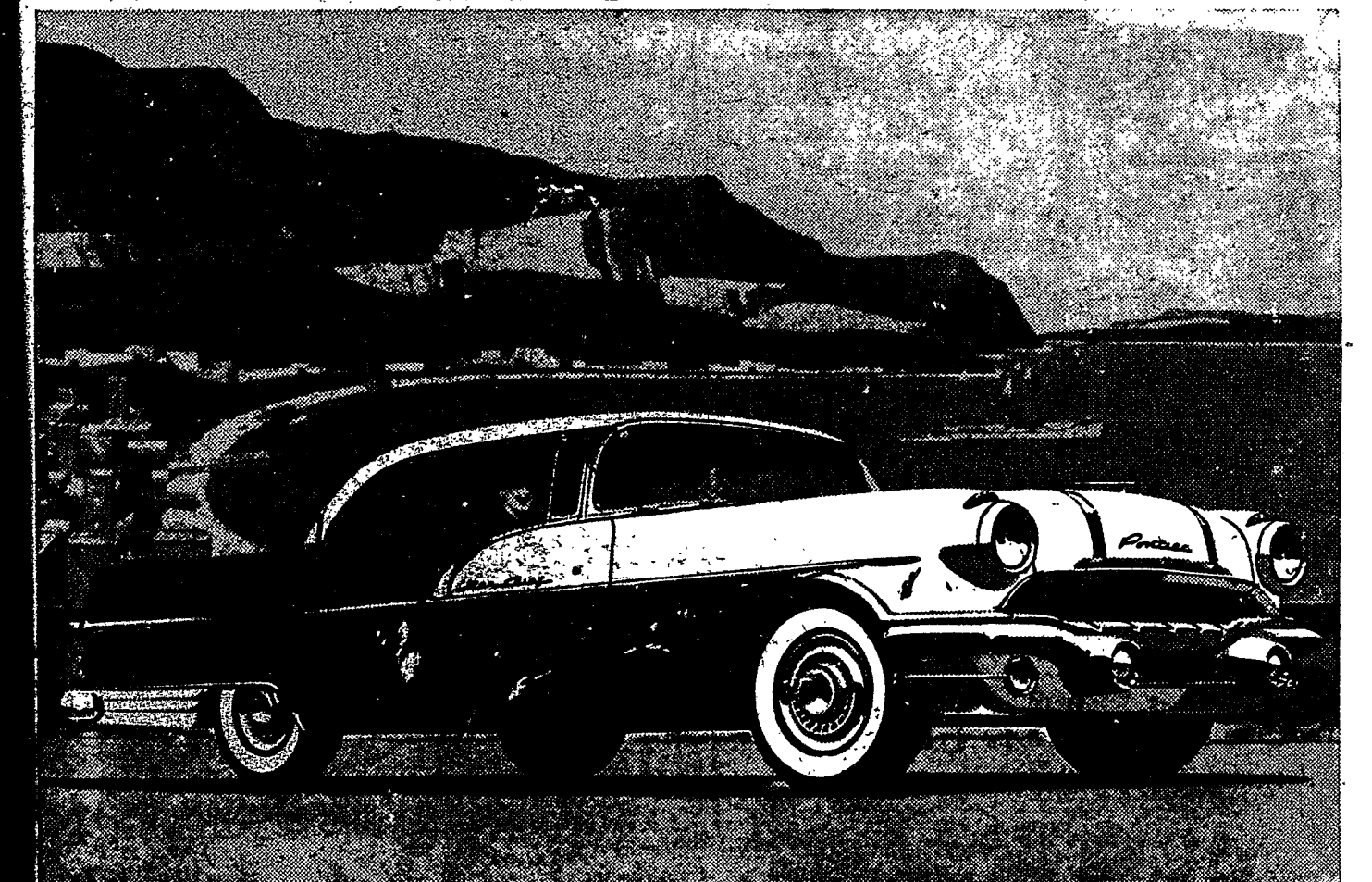
WITNESS my signature this 29th day of December, A. D. 1956.
Geraldine Ames, Administratrix of the Estate of Mrs. Lillian Ames Zerr, Deceased.
12-29-56

CHANCERY SUMMONS

ALIAS No. 7113
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO JOHN FELDER, 3499 Fall Brook Street, Oroville, California.
NATHANIEL FELDER, 1101 Seventh Street, Richmond, California.
ADLINE FELDER, 1217 Fourth Street, Orange, Texas.
SIMON FELDER, 1217 Fourth Street, Orange, Texas.
VIOLA CALLENDER, 1314 Magnolia Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.
ALINE PARKER BANKS, 2428 Tupelo Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.
JAMES F. PARKER, whose last known address is American Street (no number), Gentilly, Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana.
You are summoned to appear before the Chancery Court of the County of Hancock, in said state, on the Third Monday of February, A. D. 1957, to defend the suit No. 7113 in said court of EMMA PARKER MILES, being a suit for partition sale of land described in bill of complaint, wherein you are a defendant.
This 10th day of January A. D. 1957
(SEAL) A. C. MITCHELL
1-12-57 Chancery Clerk
Marjorie M. Mitchell, D.C.

CHANCERY SUMMONS

No. 7118
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
To T. J. HAMILTON, 500 Spring Street, Richmond, Virginia.
You are summoned to appear before the Chancery Court of the County of Hancock, in said State, on the Third Monday of February A. D. 1957, to defend the suit No. 7118 in said Court of FRANK S. HAMILTON, Administrator of the estate of ANNA HAMILTON, deceased, being a petition to approve First and Final Account, wherein you are a defendant.
This 11th day of January, A. D. 1957
(SEAL) A. C. MITCHELL
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WHITE SUSPENDS LIFE SENTENCES OF FOUR MEN

JACKSON—Gov. Hugh White gave indefinite suspensions of life sentences to three murders and a rapist.

He issued pardons to four other persons and revoked the suspended sentence of another. The persons pardoned already were on suspended sentences.

The suspension went to Bud Ed Riley and Robert Lee Riley at Attala County, sentenced to life in 1949 for murder; David Triplett, Winston County, sentenced in 1949 for murdering Fannie Mae Miller; and Clinton Gillespie, Forrest County, convicted in 1952 of rape.

Pardons went to Charlie Hunter of Winston County, sentenced to 18 years for manslaughter; Jim Lowe of Jefferson County, sentenced to 10 years for assault and battery with intent to kill; M. A. (Mose) Steel of Forrest County, sentenced to five years for receiving stolen goods; and P. Houston Webb of Monroe County, sentenced to eight years for manslaughter.

The governor revoked the suspension of Harvey Foster of Rankin County, sentenced in 1951 to 7½ years for manslaughter. He had been on parole since April, 1954. The parole was revoked for violation of its provisions.

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COUNTY AGENT'S NOTES

BY HOWARD F. SIMMONS
Hancock County Agent

Drying off Dairy Cows
Usually it is not too much trouble to dry off a cow, but some of the high producers may give you a bit of trouble.

With larger breeds producing 25 to 30 pounds of milk a day, or smaller breeds producing 15 to 20 pounds, the best method is to stop milking abruptly and entirely. This develops pressure and stops milk secretion. The pressure developed is not enough to do any damage to normal udders, free from mastitis.

Cows that give more than these amounts of milk need special treatment. The feed should be gradually reduced until production reaches the suggested levels. Then milking should be stopped.

It is important that the person doing the milking should take time to check each quarter for any heat or firmness that might indicate mastitis.

If mastitis is present, regular mastitis treatment should be applied. If a cow is milked at any time after the drying-off process is begun, she should be milked out completely.

Poultry
Hens need lights and warm water for high fall and winter production. They can withstand lots of cold weather if their water is warmed and the house is properly ventilated. Deep, dry litter is also important.

A well-ventilated poultry house at this time of year will not smart your eyes upon entering. The chickens are comfortable. In most poultry houses, three sides should be closed and some opening left at the top on the south side.

Orchard
Now is the time to prune and spray your fruit trees. Do not delay these important jobs.

Train peaches and plums to develop a strong framework and a well balanced tree. Leave the center leader and space 3 to 5 scaffold limbs from 6 to 10 inches apart, with the lowest limb about 18 inches from the ground.

Small trees will require little, if any, pruning when set out. Larger trees should be headed at a height of around 3 feet and the selected scaffold branches cut back two buds.

Training and pruning of 1 and 2 year old trees consists mainly of thinning out the smaller branches and moderately cutting back the remaining limbs just above a

TAX COLLECTIONS \$17 MILLION HIGHER

JACKSON—Mississippi collected \$7,482,936 during December for the state Treasury's general fund, which pays most of the bills. The amount was about \$15 million more than collected during December of 1954, due mainly to the increased sales tax.

State Tax Commission figures showed Mississippi collected more than 17 million dollars above 1954, again due mainly to the boost in the state sales tax.

December's biggest money-maker was the estate sales tax, which brought in \$4,225,944, more than \$1,600,000 above December 1954. The extra one cent boost, from two to three cents, enacted into law last spring accounted for the jump.

Other big tax collections during December were:

Income tax \$1,914,737, up slightly from December 1954;
Tobacco tax \$693,107, up almost 14 per cent;
Oil severance tax \$569,771, up more than 21 per cent;
Beer and wine tax \$342,705, up slightly;
Gas severance tax \$113,809, up 49 per cent.

Cities levying an extra one-half cent sales tax collected \$279,504 during December, up almost \$50,000 from the same month last year. The jump was caused mainly by the increased number of cities levying the extra tax.

WBA REVIEW MEETS

WBA Review No. 10 held its monthly meeting Monday night at the home of Mrs. Nellis Nelson on deMontblain Ave. New officers for the coming year were installed.

Plans were made for a carnival party to be held on Feb. 9 at the close of the meeting. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Nelson.

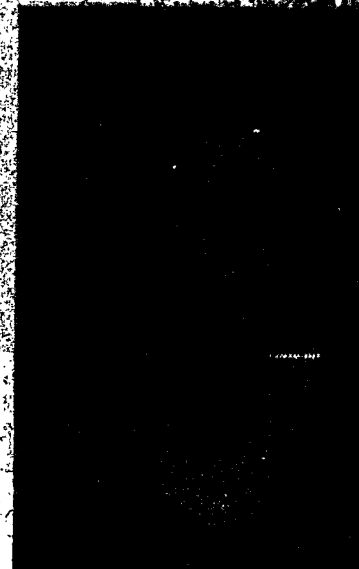
Keep all suckers and low branches removed from any aged tree. These can be rubbed or cut off at any time of year.

Apples and pears are trained like peaches and plums, except that the lowest limb should be 24 to 30 inches above the ground and from 6 to 8 scaffold limbs left on smaller trees. Select wide angles to the trunk.

Bearing trees of all kinds that have been trained to the desired shape and framework will need only light annual pruning. For the first few years after the tree has been bearing, pruning should consist of only a slight thinning of branches, removal of dead or disabled limbs, crossing limbs, and a light heading back of larger branches.

Older trees will require heavier pruning to stimulate the growth

State Garden Club Seminar in Flower Arranging



Mrs. E. F. Simpson is well known as a flower show judge, lecturer and instructor in flower arranging. She is the president of the Mississippi Garden Clubs of Vicksburg, the largest being the Memphis Garden Club, which she has been a member of since 1954 with one hundred and nine clubs participating.

The latest trends in flower arrangement, landscape design, and horticulture will be reviewed at the University of Mississippi January 18-19 when the Garden Clubs of Mississippi, Inc., holds the first "Mississippi Garden Seminar."

Experts in floral arrangement, landscaping, and interior decoration will discuss and demonstrate the use of plants in home decoration.

Dr. J. D. Williams, Chancellor of the University, will welcome the group Wednesday morning, and Mrs. Frank E. Everett, Jr., Vicksburg, President of the Garden Clubs of Mississippi, Inc., will respond.

Mrs. D. C. McRaney, Collins, First Vice President, will introduce the first speaker, Professor Hubert B. Owens, Chairman, Division of Landscape Architecture, the University of Georgia. Professor Owens will speak on the "New Outlook in Landscape Design for the South: What, When, Where." Immediately following his address, Professor Owens will conduct a group discussion on "Southern Landscape Problems."

"Color in Home and Flowers—A Look at Five Period Rooms" will be the subject of an address by Mrs. E. F. Simpson, Memphis, Flower Arranger, and Mr. Kenneth Kimbrough, Memphis, President, Kimbrough, Inc. A group discussion on color problems will follow, with Mrs. Walton Gresham, Second Vice President, presiding.

Following a banquet Wednesday night, Mrs. Howard Kittel, Fort Worth, Texas, outstanding



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Mrs. D. C. McRaney, Collins, First Vice President, will introduce the first speaker, Professor Hubert B. Owens, Chairman, Division of Landscape Architecture, the University of Georgia. Professor Owens will speak on the "New Outlook in Landscape Design for the South: What, When, Where." Immediately following his address, Professor Owens will conduct a group discussion on "Southern Landscape Problems."

"Color in Home and Flowers—A Look at Five Period Rooms" will be the subject of an address by Mrs. E. F. Simpson, Memphis, Flower Arranger, and Mr. Kenneth Kimbrough, Memphis, President, Kimbrough, Inc. A group discussion on color problems will follow, with Mrs. Walton Gresham, Second Vice President, presiding.

Following a banquet Wednesday night, Mrs. Howard Kittel, Fort Worth, Texas, outstanding

LETTERS

Dear Editor,

Would your newspaper be kind enough to help in a civic endeavor, by allowing me to present a few facts to the public by this letter?

The Carnival celebration sponsored by the Bay Central PTA was originally organized to entertain in a small way those children unable to attend Mardi Gras in the City of New Orleans. But it mushroomed into a big event and a profit-making venture.

All of us can see with our own eyes where our tax money is being spent at our school. The new and wonderful shop; the new lunch room; new basketball goals; new addition to building. But, like all budgets today, there

is a shortage of money to get everything needed by the school. Our children need all the little extras that we can get for them.

The teachers put out a great effort in putting on this Carnival so that our children might benefit by it.

The PTA is not a money-making organization, nor should people donate to a school after having paid their taxes. What are we to do, then, until the public is sufficiently aroused to change the tax structure of our entire state so that a bigger percentage is channeled into the school budget? Let our children go lacking?

Plans are being laid to go forward with this year's Mardi Gras. In the past a lot of mistakes have been made. The Mardi Gras was

planned and organized by a host of amateurs and the work completed by women unfamiliar to a hammer and saw. Also, teachers are called to work in the rain and cold without pay. This much effort should reap a cash dividend.

The money this year is going to be spent on visual education aid in line with modern teaching. Comparable to having a TV set to show films in color made up by educators in accordance with the child's text books. Schools in big cities have one of these in every room. This one will be shared by ten teachers in the elementary school.

So, regardless of how you felt about Mardi Gras in the past, come out and help the PTA put this one on. Especially if you have creative talents. All organizations dedicated to public welfare should put in floats with plenty of children on them. A day for the small fry in Bay St. Louis.

There is a lot of old fashioned fun in getting a group together to make a float. Make up a party and make up a float.

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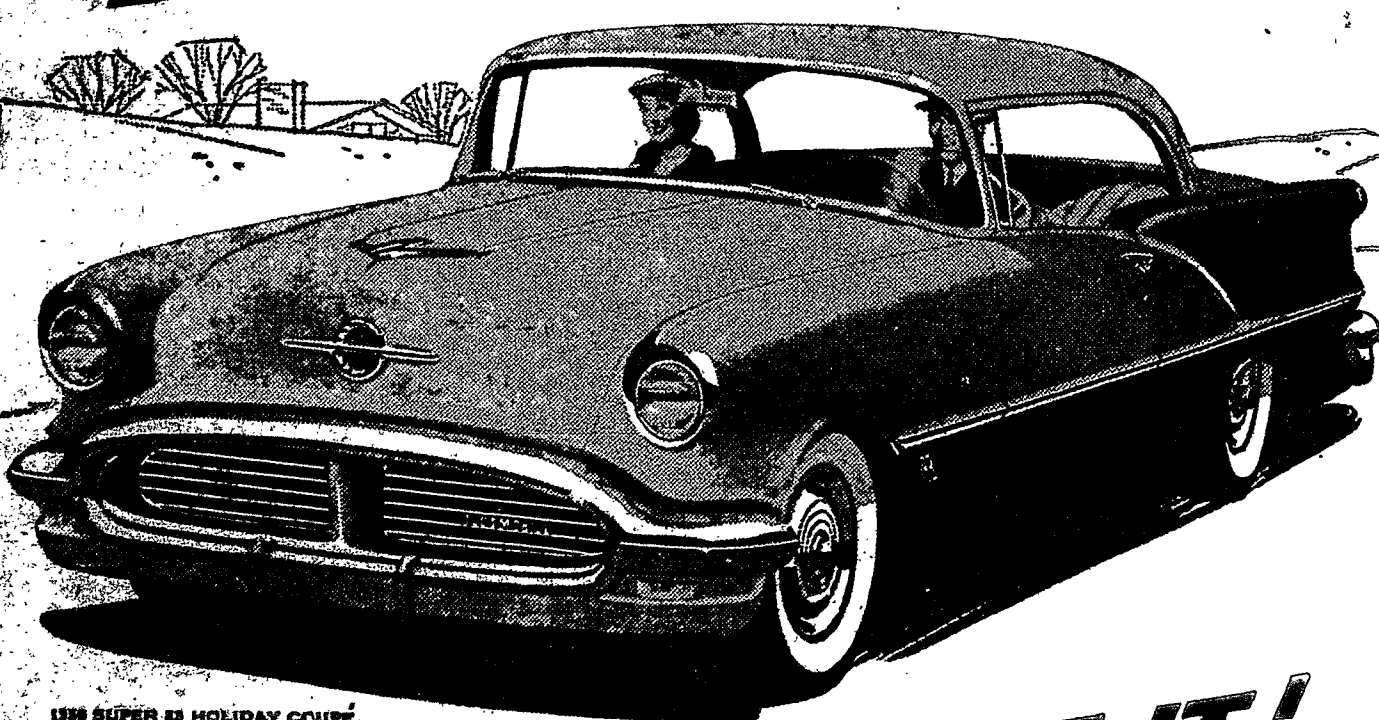
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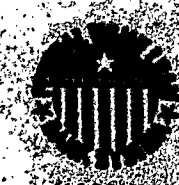
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LOANS ON SAVINGS ACCOUNTS	23,161.47	LOANS IN PROCESS	11,111.11
INVESTMENTS AND SECURITIES	103,500.00	ADVANCES BY MEMBERS	2,222.22
CASH ON HAND AND IN BANKS	113,508.63	FOR TAXES AND INSURANCE	2,222.22
OFFICE EQUIPMENT LESS DEPRECIATION	4,344.85	OTHER LIABILITIES	1,111.11
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I, Secretary-Treasurer of the above named Association hereby certify that the foregoing statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



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524 KILLED IS MISS. DEATH TOLL FROM TRAFFIC

Mississippi's 1955 traffic death toll reached a staggering, near record 524 killed, according to the Highway Patrol, which described the appalling slaughter as "the worst" with the exception of 1941, in the state's "traumatic history."

During the year just ended, Mississippi's traffic death rate jumped 7.5 per cent above that recorded in 1954. The upward trend in fatal accidents became evident as early as March and continued to rise despite strict traffic law enforcement by the State Highway Patrol and the warnings of an alarmed press.

Mississippi, during the previous two years, 1953 and 1954, had shown consecutively marked

reductions in its traffic death rate and in 1954, its mileage death rate, based on million miles of vehicle travel was sixth lowest in the nation. Even '55 began with a slight decrease in fatal January and February accidents. But in March, highway deaths doubled and showed consistent increases during most of the ensuing months to come.

According to Commissioner of Public Safety T. E. Birdsong, possibly the greatest single factor responsible for the increased '55 traffic death toll was the unprecedented number of multiple deaths resulting from single accidents. Accident severity seemed to triple, with three and four persons perishing in the wreckage of a single car. This was a predominant characteristic of '55 accidents, Highway Patrolmen report, and indicates all too vividly the price of one mistake made behind the wheel of a powerful auto.

Also characteristic of fatal 1955 auto accidents was the large number of late model, high-powered cars involved. Patrol records show an alarming number of '55

and '56 cars involved in accidents during the past three months.

The first fatal accident of the new year, and the only fatal accident on a state highway during the New Year holiday, killed four persons. The car involved was a 1955 sedan. Multiple deaths. Powerful cars. Birdsong and Commissioner Birdsong and is reported recuperating nicely.

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REPORT OF CONDITION OF
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AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 31, 1955

ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 938,028.97
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	210,000.00
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	669,183.75
Loans and discounts (including \$748.06 overdrafts)	860,871.50
Bank premises owned \$44,997.21, furniture and fixtures \$15,353.56	60,350.77
Other assets	1,007.81
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,189,452.80
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	\$1,231,355.72
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	589,832.02
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	198,976.36
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	14,030.12
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$2,012,294.22
Other liabilities	7,080.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$2,019,374.22
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital	\$ 70,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00
Undivided profits	98.58
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	170,098.58
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$2,189,452.80

*This bank's capital consists of:
Common stock with total par value of \$70,000.00

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes \$ 322,000.00

I, Joe B. Burrow, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear/affirm that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest:

Directors: JOE B. BURROW

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State of Mississippi, County of Hancock, ss:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of January, 1956, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.

(SEAL) LUCIAN M. GEX, Notary Public
My commission expires 1/24/57

NEW YEAR RING IN
AT YACHT CLUB PARTY

A gay crowd gathered at the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club to ring out the old and ring in the New Year at an informal party on Dec. 31.

Supper was served in the main dining room of the Club House, and dancing was enjoyed by the many guests to the excellent band provided by the Club for the occasion.

The New Year's Eve party at the Clubhouse is always one of the brightest of all parties in Bay St. Louis, and this year's fete was exceptionally well attended and enjoyed by all.

Noted among those dining and dancing during the evening were Commander and Mrs. Henry Chapman, Mrs. and Mrs. Kenneth W. Pepperdine, Mrs. Lester J. Smith, Rear Commodore and Mrs. Alvin Weinfurter, Harry Chapman, Edward Dupiquier, Harry Hardin, Col. and Mrs. N. Pitt, Miss Dianne Brignac, Don Ladner;

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Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Larroux, Miss Geri Martin, Miss Mary Staehle, Miss Patricia Gex, Edward Brignac Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bass, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Quintini and Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Stechmann.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Anne and Eddie Porter hosted one of the scintillating New Year's Eve parties in Bay St. Louis.

They entertained at the home of Mrs. Porter's parents, the Harold Westons, and summoned a neighborhood group to join them for the evening. The party was given in the play rooms of the home, and entertaining was done in an informal manner.

Among the merry-makers were and Mrs. Fred Wagner from New Orleans, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rausch, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Porter Sr., Mrs. Shirley Sewell, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Rogers from Hattiesburg, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pittman and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Weston were out of town for the New Year week end.

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EPISCOPAL GUILD MEETS

Mrs. Howard Lathier was hostess to Chapter 1 of the Women's Guild of Christ Episcopal Church on Tuesday, Jan. 4 at Hotel Reed.

The meeting was presided over by the newly-elected president, Mrs. William T. Turner. Mrs. Charles Johnson, Auxiliary program chairman, introduced Mrs. Paul White, who gave a program on "Witnessing for Christ." Mrs. F. E. Porter Jr. led the devotion.

Members were reminded of the annual Church Dinner which will be held Jan. 12 at the Yacht Club, and that all members of the congregation of the church and their families are invited to attend this dinner.

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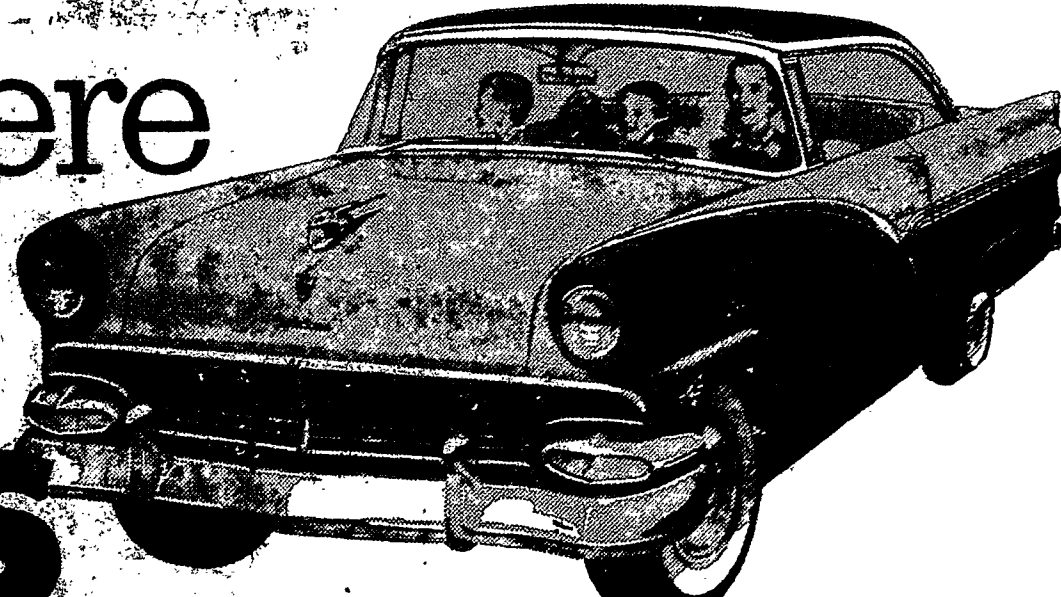
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ST. CLARE HNS INSTALLED
St. Clare's Holy Name Society held its official communion service Sunday, Jan. 8. Thirty-eight members were present for the solemn ceremonies of installation into St. Clare's Parish.

CARD OF THANKS
Due to the kindness of the D. Co., New Orleans, and the Holmes minstrel who made the performance Saturday night such a grand one, they also wish to thank the members of local city who helped in any way. They were grateful.

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GIRL SCOUTS
Bay St. Louis Neighborhood Association will meet Tuesday, Jan. 12 at Our Lady of the Gulf, Scout House at 9:30 a.m. Mrs. Leone Goodyear of Gulfport will be present at this meeting and will show two film strips—one on Troop Finance and the other on Troop Committee.

WAVELAND
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IN JANUARY

TIGER TALES
The Annual Bay High Basketball Tournament will be held Jan. 25 through 28 and promises to be one of the best held in several years.

ANNOUNCE BIRTH
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METHODIST—Sunday worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.
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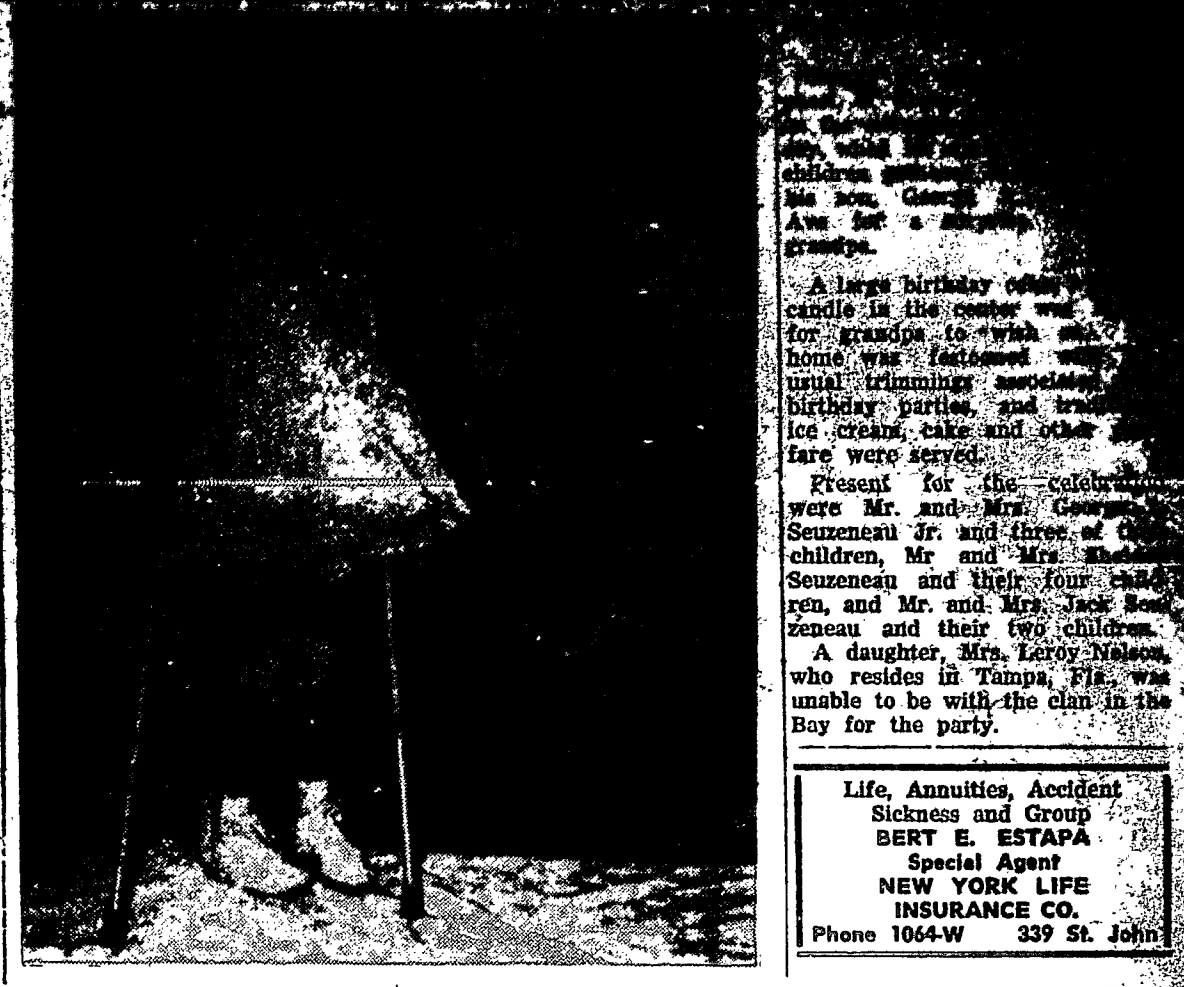
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MANY OTHER ITEMS AS MUCH AS	1/2 Off

Ramsey's Department Store

The SUCCESS of
EVERY MEAL
DEPENDS ON

Meat

Western Cuts

The food experts have a phrase — "Meat makes the meal" — and it is very true when you serve your family top quality meats from Jitney-Jungle. You'll pay less for the best cuts at Jitney-Jungle, too. Shop for meat and all your food needs at Jitney-Jungle regularly where your dollar goes a long, long way!

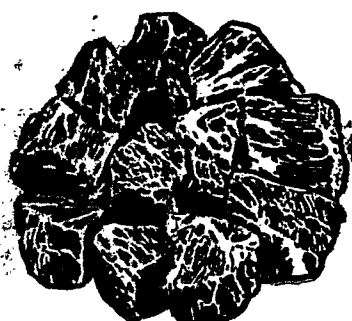
Eureka Sliced

BACON Tray Packed Lb. **31¢**

Lean Tender Center Cut

PORK CHOPS Lb. **39¢**

For Meat Pies — Stews — Soup



BONELESS BEEF Lb. **59¢**

Morrell's or Armour's Star

FRANKS Lb. **39¢**

Small Meaty Lean

SPARERIBS Lb. **33¢**



U. S. Choice Beef

SIRLOIN STEAK Lb. **69¢**

Fresh Lean

GROUND MEAT Lb. **29¢**



Pure 1 Lb. Roll

PORK SAUSAGE Lb. **25¢**

Ivory Soap 2 for 27¢	Ivory Snow 31¢	Duz 31¢	Spic & Span 25¢
Ivory Soap 3 for 25¢	Camay Bath 13¢	Tide 31¢	Crisco 3 lbs. 85¢
Ivory Soap 6¢	Camay Regular 9¢	Cheer 31¢	Fluffo 3 lbs. 85¢
Ivory Flakes 31¢	Lava Soap 11¢	Joy 31¢	Dreft 31¢

While Shopping At The Biloxi Jitney-Jungle Store, Visit The Coffee Bar and Enjoy A Free Cup Of Jungle Queen Coffee.

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"Self-Service Food Stores"

PLEASE NOTICE

Your friendly Jitney-Jungle Food Stores on the Gulf Coast are large enough to serve you, and small enough to know you. So if you have not already tried Jitney-Jungle, please give us a trial. You will be amazed at Jitney-Jungle's service, friendliness, quality groceries, fancy meats and every day low prices. We appreciate your business and we know that you will appreciate the high standard the Jitney-Jungle Food Stores maintain in serving their customers.

Yours truly

Jitney-Jungle Food Store

7-UP

Coca-Cola 6 for 19¢

VELVITA

Peaches 2 1/2 can 29¢

BALLARD'S

Flour 10 lb. sack 75¢

VAN CAMP

White Hominy No. 2 can 10¢

VAN CAMP—300 SIZE CAN

Spanish Rice 19¢

VAN CAMP N. O. STYLE

Red Kidney Beans 2 cans 25¢

RED BIRD

Potted Meat can 5¢

RED BIRD

Vienna Sausage can 10¢

VAN CAMP—1-LB. CAN

Pork and Beans 2 for 25¢

Vegetables

Fresh Tender

CARROTS 2 Cello Pkgs. **25¢**

U. S. No. 1 White Cobbler

POTATOES . . 10 Lb. Bag **39¢**

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